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FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 2176

C O N F I D E N T I A L TAIPEI 0096

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI TW US

SUBJECT: LETTER FROM LOCAL NATIONAL EMPLOYEES SPREADS STORY OF
SHULINKOU CLOSURE

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED FROM TDC A COPY OF A LETTER ADDRESSED TO PREMIER CHIANG CHING-KUO DATED DECEMBER 13, 1976, FROM FOUR EMPLOYEES OF THE SHULINKOU AIR BASE. LETTER REQUESTS THE PREMIER'S ASSISTANCE IN ASSURING THAT SLK EMPLOYEES RECEIVE ADDITIONAL SEVERANCE PAY. COPIES OF THE LETTER WERE WIDELY DISTRIBUTED IN THE GROC, I.E., CONTROL YUAN, LEGISLATIVE YUAN, KMT, INTERIOR MINISTRY, TGGH, FASD. EMBASSY HAS ASKED TDC TO LOOK INTO THIS MATTER PROMPTLY TO DETERMINE WHAT, IF ANYTHING, CAN BE DONE TO SATISFY EMPLOYEE REQUESTS BEYOND CURRENTLY AUTHORIZED SEVERANCE PAY ARRANGEMENTS.

2. HOWEVER, WE ARE MORE IMMEDIATELY CONCERNED BY THE LANGUAGE USED IN THE LETTER'S SECOND PARAGRAPH: QUOTE IT IS HEARD THAT SLK AB WILL BE CLOSED IN MARCH 1977. (AT THE COMMANDER'S CALL AT 1400, 10 DECEMBER 1976, COL. KATER, BASE COMMANDER, TOLD US WE WOULD BE OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED IN WRITING ONE MONTH BEFORE THE OFFICIAL ORDER OF CLOSURE WAS RECEIVED.) ALL 250 LOCAL NATIONAL (LN) EMPLOYEES WILL BE SEPARATED BY REDUCTION IN FORCE (RIF) WHEN THE BASE IS CLOSED. UNQUOTE

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3. EMBASSY ALSO UNDERSTANDS THAT DON SHAPIRO (TIME AND ABC STRINGER) PLANS TO WRITE ARTICLE ON SHULINKOU. SHAPIRO IS PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN QUESTION OF REPLACEMENT OF MILITARY PERSONNEL AT SHULINKOU BY CIVILIANS AND PLANS TO MAKE THIS FOCAL POINT OF HIS ARTICLE IF HE IS ABLE TO OBTAIN SUFFICIENT INFORMATION. HE RECENTLY INFORMED EMBOFF THAT, BASED ON INFORMATION HE HAS ACCUMULATED TO DATE (HE PROVIDED NO SOURCES),

HE SPECULATES THAT SEVERAL HUNDRED NSA CIVILIANS WILL ARRIVE
SHORTLY TO REPLACE PRESENT MILITARY PERSONNEL AT SHULINKOU.
(EMBOFF AVOIDED COMMENT BY PROFESSING IGNORANCE ON SUBJECT.)
ALTHOUGH SHAPIRO IS ASSOCIATED WITH TIME AND ABC, EMBASSY
BELIEVES HE MAY SEEK TO PLACE HIS STORY WITH A WIRE SERVICE
OR DAILY.
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